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IMAGE FORMING UNIT, RECYCLING METHOD OF DEVELOPER  
CARTRIDGE CONTAINER, AND RECYCLING METHOD OF DEVELOPER  
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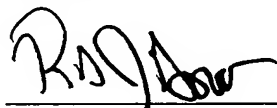
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